

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

In re:

AEGEAN MARINE PETROLEUM NETWORK
INC., *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

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) Chapter 11
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) Case No. 18-13374 (MEW)
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) (Jointly Administered)
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**DECLARATION OF DISINTERESTEDNESS
OF SIMMS SHOWERS LLP PURSUANT TO THE ORDER AUTHORIZING
THE DEBTORS FOR THE RETENTION AND COMPENSATION
OF PROFESSIONALS UTILIZED IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS**

I, J. Stephen Simms, declare under penalty of perjury:

1. I am a Principal of Simms Showers, LLP, located at 201 International Circle, Baltimore, Maryland 21030 (the “Firm”).

2. Aegean Marine Network Petroleum Inc. and the other above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”), has requested that the Firm provide litigation and related services to the Debtors, specifically, the defense and prosecution of claims related to the sale of marine fuel, and the Firm has consented to provide such services.

3. The Firm may have performed services in the past, may currently perform services, and may perform services in the future in matters unrelated to these chapter 11 cases for persons that are parties in interest in the Debtors’ chapter 11 cases. The Firm, however, does not perform services for any such person in connection with these chapter 11 cases, or have any

¹ Due to the large number of Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, a complete list of the Debtors and the last four digits of their tax identification, registration, or like numbers is not provided herein. A complete list of such information may be obtained on the website of the Debtors’ proposed claims and noticing agent at <http://dm.epiq11.com/aegean>. The location of Debtor Aegean Bunkering (USA) LLC’s principal place of business and the Debtors’ service address in these chapter 11 cases is 52 Vanderbilt Avenue, Suite 1405, New York, New York 10017.

relationship with any such person, their attorneys, or accountants that would be adverse to the Debtors or its estates.

4. As part of its customary practice, the Firm is retained in cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different parties, some of whom may represent or be employed by the Debtors, claimants, and parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases.

5. Neither I nor any principal, partner, director, officer, [etc.] of, or professional employed by, the Firm has agreed to share or will share any portion of the compensation to be received from the Debtors with any other person other than the principal and regular employees of the Firm.

6. Neither I nor any principal, partner, director, officer, [etc.] of, or professional employed by, the Firm, insofar as I have been able to ascertain, holds or represents any interest adverse to the Debtors or its estates with respect to the matter(s) upon which the Firm is to be employed.

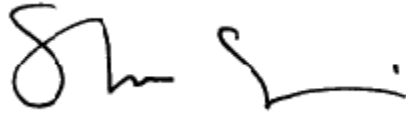
7. The Debtors owe the Firm \$17,681.28 for prepetition services, the payment of which is subject to limitations contained in title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101–1532.

8. As of the Commencement Date, which was the date on which the Debtors commenced these chapter 11 cases, the Firm was not party to an agreement for indemnification with certain of the debtor entities.

9. The Firm is conducting further inquiries regarding its retention by any creditors of the Debtors, and upon conclusion of that inquiry, or at any time during the period of its employment, if the Firm should discover any facts bearing on the matters described herein, the Firm will supplement the information contained in this Declaration.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: December 3, 2018

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Simms", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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